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## THE SITUATION.

Mr. Russell Harrison's report, with characteristic impertinence, is trying to edit the democratic senators these days. In reply to our statement that if the eight democrats should take the oath of office, the deadlock wouldn't necessarily be broken, as the eight senators on either side could refrain from voting whenever they saw fit, it profanely says: "If they resorted to such tactics they would find hell a bigger picnic than office-holding in Montana."

We assume that in spite of this blood-curdling menace the democratic senators will continue to do their duty as they see it without dictation from anybody. They will have to give an account of themselves to their constituents and not to Mr. R. B. Harrison or the Old War-horse.

If the democratic senators decide to take their seats they will do so as democrats, we suppose, and not as assistant republicans. It is not likely they will be such chumps as the Journal wants them to be, and that they will take the oath without a previous understanding that no principle for which they have been contending is to be surrendered. Should they qualify on Monday we shall expect to see their action speedily followed by the appearance of the republican representatives-elect in their seats in the lower house.

That would be an honorable and equitable solution of the deadlock that would be commended by fair men of both parties.

The democratic senators have the honor and the good name of their party in their keeping, they have each and all held true to principle through the long contest. To insinuate, as the Journal and Herald and Inter Mountain have done, that they are now about to surrender all they have been fighting for is an attempt to insult them that they can afford to ignore. Their actions in the next few days will doubtless show to the world that their loyalty to principle and firmness in the right have stood every test.

ONE of our Helena clergymen preaches to-day on "Immortality," the old question that is ever new. Even Ingersoll shows that his own unfaith is not so thoroughly grounded but that he, too, grasps the idea common to pagan and christian alike of another existence beyond the present. In a letter to a friend last week he wrote:

"If we admit the existence of a God of infinite wisdom and compassion, we may say that there must be a world better than this, but how do we account for one worse than this? That is to say this: If justice triumphs here, why not there? If honesty goes without bread in this world, why not in another? Certainly God will be no better there than now. Still, it may be possible that a God of infinite love and compassion will so reward those who suffer through suffering itself, that all that happens will be consistent with wisdom and compassion. Love and hope are universal. As long as there is hope, there will probably be in the heart and brain a splendid dream of immortality. It may be that we live no more, that we go back to unconscious dust, and yet the heart will always say: 'Perhaps there is another life.' But whether there is or not, let us all point on the canvass of the future the picture that delights and satisfies the soul. We know that in this world after joy comes grief, as after day comes light, and it may be there is some world where, after grief, comes joy, as after night comes day."

Who knows of the wonderful resources of Lewis and Clarke county outside of Helena? In another column we give a glance at some of the diversified industries which contribute so much to our prosperity as a city. Lewis and Clarke county is almost an empire within itself, and the future has great things in store for it.

We give in another column the opinions of leading democratic newspapers on the latest phase of the political situation. The democracy of Montana stand staunch and true in support of their representatives in the legislature.

The western friends of silver in Washington take a united stand against Windom's silver policy. Where is Carter?

We have no quarrel with the county commissioners for giving \$500 to Mr. Russell Harrison's organ for printing the constitution; it was a case of need. But when Mr. Harrison's organ, not satisfied with the gratuity, undertakes to misrepresent THE INDEPENDENT, in order to glorify itself in the matter, we propose to have a word to say. THE INDEPENDENT was the official printer for the constitutional convention and was duly authorized to print the constitution. On the day the Journal got a copy of the instrument from Secretary Walker a representative of THE INDEPENDENT

made application to that official for the same and was refused. The Journal, however, was furnished with a copy by the aid of Walker and Henry Bernard, the latter being the clerk of the committee of the convention having the publication in charge. That is the true story of the Journal's enterprise in the matter. Walker refused THE INDEPENDENT and gave the copy to the Journal.

Several days later Walker furnished THE INDEPENDENT with the official copy. It was duly issued in pamphlet form. Bernard, whom Hershfield had imposed upon the constitutional convention's committee as a proof reader, corrected the proofs as the committee directed him to do. Whatever errors the Journal may find in the pamphlet are due to Bernard's bad proof reading. If the Journal wants to jump on that individual it has our free permission. It will find interesting material about him in recent files of THE INDEPENDENT.

The Journal's hastily shovelled together work which it calls a "complete and correct copy" was a ridiculous botch, when first published, and even as corrected afterward was never correct. Here are a few errors among the many detected in a casual reading: Article III Section 25, "treating ores by minerals," should read "treating ores and minerals." Article VIII section 29, "during the terms for which they shall have been elected" should read "during the terms for which they shall have been respectively elected." Article XIII section 2, "but no debt or liability shall be created which shall singly or in the aggregate exceed," etc., should read, "but no debt or liability shall be created which shall singly or in the aggregate (with any existing debt or liabilities) exceed," etc. The words we give in parenthesis being entirely omitted. But we will not weary the reader; as many more errors, some of them of serious import, mar the Journal's bungled document. We are glad it feels good over getting the gratuity from the commissioners, but we submit that it ought to divide with Walker and Bernard.

## PUBLIC SENTIMENT.

ANACONDA Standard: It is not true that five democratic senators, separating themselves from their political associates, declared yesterday that they would either join the republicans or resign. It is true, however, that for many days the democratic senators at Helena have had under consideration a plan whereby they might hasten the organization of the legislature by joining the republican members of that body, and it is a certainty that, among themselves, these democrats are in the heartiest accord, that they are united in feeling and in action, and that they will make common cause to the end of the fight.

It is more than probable that the organization of the senate will be completed early in the coming week. The reasons why the democrats should resist the organization of that body no longer exist. The nonsense about seating Mr. Watson in the place that rightfully belongs to Mr. McNamara is exploded, the lower house which was elected by the people has now come to command popular recognition and, unless the democrats at Helena lack the average wit of the average man, it will be impossible for the fraudulent scheme hatched in Silver Bow longer to entangle the peaceful proceedings of the legitimate legislative body.

The chief business of democrats is to keep themselves aloof from all entangling alliances on the senatorial question and to abstain from barter in all matters relating to legislation. It is possible that the coming week will witness progress in the way of breaking the deadlock.

## Must be an Understanding.

BUTTE Miner: That a programme has been decided upon is reasonably certain, but whether it is to take the oath and enter upon their duties, or resign, is the question. The trend of opinion inclines to the belief that the former course will be pursued. If this be the correct view, the conclusion must have been a foundation of right treatment on the part of the republicans for a basis, for it is inconceivable that the democrats could have made an unconditional surrender. It is a fair presumption that if the democrats agree to an organization it is done with the alleged understanding in regard to the alleged contests in this county, and that if one is held, it should be fair and impartial and during its pendency, and the consequent absence of the members, no snap judgment shall be taken. If the legislature is organized there will be plenty of legitimate routine work to occupy the members for a while, and the question of United States senators can rest until every seat in the body is filled by the legitimate occupants thereof. The probabilities and possibilities growing out of the movement are numerous, and each is plausible. What may be attempted by either party in the way of double dealing or sharp practices would fill a volume. Yet there is no need to give them currency. The Miner believes that whatever line of conduct the democrats have decided upon is honest in its motives, and is made in a spirit that will do no violence to their own conscience, the rights of their constituents who elected them, the party of which they are members, or the people of the state.

## Must Not Surrender.

GREAT FALLS Tribune: The democratic senators who for twenty-one days have defied the plot and plans of the conspirators must not now surrender. In refusal to aid in perpetrating a great fraud, the democratic senators have done their duty and won the approval of the people who elected them. Their conduct has been approved also by the democratic party of the United States, which expects that the Montana democracy will "hold the fort" and thus hasten the day when the United States senate will be democratic, which it would be now if the people could exercise their choice untrammelled by republican schemes to defeat the popular will.

No duty can be higher than to stand as sentinels at the capital resolved to defeat the atrocious fraud which the republican conspirators set on foot the moment they found that the people of Montana had declared against them. The obligation that rests on the democratic senators to resist this fraud is as binding and as imperative as that of the soldier who is placed to defend with his comrades a strategic position of vital importance. No democratic senator should abandon his post unless he has the permission of those who elected him—permission which we are sure will never be granted, for the people abhor fraud and are prepared to make as great

sacrifices themselves as any senator or representative.

There are some matters on which there can be no compromise. The patriots of 1776 believed so when they demanded freedom, and nothing less, from the British crown. They endured for years all the horrors and privations of war rather than submit. No such sacrifices are imposed on the democratic senators. They have simply to maintain the passive resistance which they have observed so far to the confusion and perplexity of the conspirators. They have right on their side, and will be expected to show as much endurance as those political road agents who strive to rob Montana of two United States senatorships.

## PERSONAL.

William Fowler left for Boston last night via the Northern Pacific.

E. A. Lee left for Salt Lake City last evening on the Union Pacific.

C. W. Study left for Washington, D. C., by way of the Union Pacific, yesterday.

Col. J. A. McGowan, of Horse Plains, Missoula county, is again at the Merchants.

Miss Phoebe Bowman took passage on the Union Pacific yesterday for Guthrie, Indian territory.

C. Bedford and J. H. Lawrence departed on the Northern Pacific passenger train for Chicago last night.

Otto Peterson leaves on Monday for California where he will remain for the winter. Peterson will be his headquarters.

J. F. Weinsbury, Montana representative of Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Co., hardware dealers of Chicago, left for that point last evening to spend the holidays.

S. G. Fulton, general freight agent of the Northern Pacific, with headquarters at Portland, is in the city, on his way east. Mr. Fulton was formerly agent at this place.

E. Lee Edwards, who has been on the coast for the past year, returned yesterday and will accept a position in the crockery and glassware establishment of his brother, F. J. Edwards.

Lieut. Walter Scott, U. S. A., came in from Fort Custer yesterday to take charge of a company at Fort Shaw, to which point he has been transferred. He leaves for Fort Shaw to-day.

Henry Nickel, president of the Major Budd, returned from Butte last night and brought with him a fine specimen of ore from the new strike which runs over 1,000 ounces to the ton.

H. T. Lowry, the cattle man, has returned from St. Louis, and after a careful observation of the situation has concluded that the world's fair is going to be held at St. Louis, Chicago, Washington and New York.

Think of it! A handsome book of standard authors in elegant cloth binding for 31 cents at the Journal Publishing Company's, 111 Main street, Pittsburgh Block.

You can find everything in the line of fancy goods at Fowler's Cash Store.

## JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

The trial of C. F. Smith, the Unionville school teacher, has been postponed until Monday.

Frank Williams, one of the men charged with robbing the Mullin cook, was discharged yesterday.

Peter Robinson of Livingston, and Miss May Viton, of this city, were married yesterday at the Merchant's hotel.

Ed Montz was sentenced to sixty days imprisonment yesterday for stealing a rifle and revolver from his partner at Alhambra.

Prof. E. Bellis will open his singing class Tuesday evening at the Helena business college. The class starts off with about sixteen pupils. Class will be held every Tuesday night.

Morning Star No. 5, A. F. and A. M., elected officers for the year last night as follows: J. W. Hathaway, W. M.; E. O. Kalsback, S. W.; M. L. Stone, J. W.; T. H. Kleinschmidt, treasury; H. H. Guthrie, secretary; S. A. D. Hahn, S. D.; W. H. M. Cain, J. D.; S. K. Douglas, S. S.; H. W. Burdington, J. S.

Buy your fancy hosiery at Fowler's Cash Store.

The largest line of fancy goods in the city at Fowler's Cash Store.

## A New Place.

One of the new candidates and a most worthy one, for public favor, is the Main Street Coffee Parlors, No. 50 South Main street, one door north of the Merchants National bank. Fresh confectionery, cigars, tobacco, books and news depot. Hot coffee and waffles served at all times. The Misses Halls and Matthews solicit the patronage of all and guarantee satisfaction to their customers.

Toys of every description at Fowler's Cash Store.

Everything first class at the Crystal Restaurant, Grand street.

## Real Estate Transfers.

The following real estate transfers were filed yesterday in the office of the secretary of state:

Cannon & Hoback to Anton M. Holter, land in SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Sec. 20, Tp. 19 N., of R. 1 W., Lewis & Clarke county, \$118.

Anton M. Holter et al. to Martin M. Holter et al. to Mary Cynthia Brown, S. 80 feet of lot 10, block 912, Hoback & Cannon addition, 3,000.

Mary Dugman et al. to Mattie H. Sullivan, S. 1/2 of lot 23, block 24, Hoback & Cannon addition, 2,400.

Daniel H. Weston to Charles W. Jeffers, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, block 10, Richmond Hill addition, 2,200.

G. to the Crystal Restaurant for a good cup of coffee, Grand street.

You can get a \$1 silk handkerchief for only 50 cents at Fowler's Cash Store.

## A Cut in Newmarkets.

With the near approach of the holidays and after that the taking of inventories the dry goods merchants seem intent on reducing their stocks. The New York dry goods store call special attention to this week's "ad," wherein they have made a decided cut in the prices of newmarkets, ulsters, flannel underwear, tea gowns and flannel wrappers. This concern, which is considered one of the most progressive in Montana, has done an enormous business this season, yet they consider themselves overstocked and have cut prices accordingly with the intention of unloading.

The New York store is pre-eminent popular with the fashionable public. All that can be of interest in the way of dress and dress fabric—all that can please the eye and enhance the beautiful in the adornment of ladies and children can be found there.

Ten sets from 30 cents up at Fowler's Cash Store.

## Notice of Removal.

Drs. Bacon & Haight have removed to their spacious parlors, rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4 Broadway building, corner Sixth avenue and Main street.

Dolls, high chairs and rockers at Fowler's Cash Store.

C. B. JACQUEMIN.

M. L. JACQUEMIN.

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Watchmakers, Jewelers and Silversmiths.

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The Piano Department is under the supervision of Prof. M. H. Hirschfield.

27 MAIN STREET.

HELENA, MONTANA.

## CHICAGO FIRMS GO UNDER.

Hard Times Prevailing in the Shoe and Lumber Business.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—C. J. Davis, doing business as the New England Shoe company, failed Tuesday. It is now alleged he bought \$100,000 worth of shoes on time, which he has been selling secretly at less than cost. His son says he lost heavily in board of trade speculations.

C. J. L. Meyer, Sons & Co., dealers in sash, doors and blinds, have made an assignment. Assets, \$250,000. Liabilities, \$300,000. The principal creditors are the Fon du Lac Sash and Door company, \$95,000; A. W. Worthington, \$41,000.

A special from Fon du Lac, Wis., says the Meyers Sash, Door and Blind company, the Wisconsin Land and Lumber company and the Fon du Lac Furniture company have assigned. The liabilities are very heavy.

## How to Save Money.

If you call at N. Nathan's Monday morning look at our special rate on table-linen.

Bleached satin finished damask, 62 inches wide, worth \$1.25 for 70c per yard.

72 inches wide, worth \$1.75 for \$1 per yard.

60 inches wide, worth \$1 for 55c per yard.

58 " " " 60c " 27c " "

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Clewell, Gold block, when in search of holiday presents. He keeps one of the finest assortment of toys and holiday gift books in the city. His goods are of the very best, and the prices are down to bottom figures.

Bell's Cabinets at \$3 Per Dozen. Cabinet photos \$3 per dozen at Bell's gallery, Helena avenue, corner Warren, on our line.

## THE MARKETS.

## STOCKS.

New York, Dec. 14.—Bar silver 65 1/2.

Copper—Nominal; lake December, 41 1/2.

Lead—Inactive; firm; domestic, 32 1/2.

Stocks betrayed the same general characteristics to-day as usual of late, but there was a stronger tone to the general list and marked advances were scored in a few instances. Almost everything on the list is higher tonight, and while the gains are generally confined to small fractions, sugar rose 3/4, Kansas & Texas 1 1/2, and Manitoba 1 1/2. Governments dull and steady.

Petroleum opened steady at 1.03 1/2 and closed at 1.04.

Government bonds, 15; 15 1/2; 4 1/2; 10 1/2; Northern Pacific, 32 1/2; preferred, 50; Oregon Improvement, 41 1/2; Oregon Navigation, 100 1/2; Transcontinental, 34 1/2; Union Pacific, 67 1/2.

Money on call easy, with no loans. Prime mercantile paper, 6 1/2; Sterling exchange, quiet, steady; sixty-day bills, \$1.80; demand, \$1.84.

## CHICAGO CATTLE.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,000; quiet and weak; heavy, \$1.50; light, \$1.40; Texas cattle, \$1.20; 2,500.

Hogs—Receipts, 15,000; higher; mixed \$3.50; 3,65; heavy, \$3.45; 3,70; light, \$3.40; 3,75.

Sheep—Receipts, 2,000; steady; natives, \$3.00; 3.50; western corn fed, \$3.50; 4.00; Texas, \$3.00; 3.40.

## CHICAGO PRODUCE.

Chicago, Dec. 14, 1:15 p. m.—Wheat—Steady, Dec. 77 1/2; Jan. 78 1/2; May, 82 1/2.

Corn—Steady, Dec. 32 1/2; Jan. 31 1/2; May, 33 1/2.

Oats—Steady, Dec. 20 1/2; Jan. 20 1/2; May, 22 1/2.

Pork—Steady, Jan. and May, \$7.00.

Lard—Steady, Jan. \$5.25; May, \$5.10.

## BARGAINS!

\$5000 Buys 12-Room House

Near the Business Center.

\$6500 Buys New House that

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\$1800 Buys New 5-Room

House.

\$200 Buys Choice Lot Fronting

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A FEW Missoula County Produces ABUNDANTLY:

The gifts that are most appreciated are those that are the most useful and sensible.

We have marked our entire stock of Seal Plush Cloaks at exactly the New York cost for the Holiday season.

What would be more desirable as a gift for your sister, cousin, or your aunt, than one of those handsome Seal Plush Jackets that we have reduced from

\$15.00 TO \$9.00,

or one of those very stylish 30-inch English Top Coats, reduced from

\$25.00 TO \$19.00.

The best value for the money of anything in the cloak line that was ever offered in Helena is the 40-inch Seal Plush Sack that we have reduced from

\$30.00 TO \$20.00.

Forty-four inch Seal Plush Sack, finished in the very latest style. We have made the very low reduction from